



The City of Hialeah, Florida (the "City"), is hereby soliciting Qualifications from all Qualified Proponents to furnish ethernet internet connection including local loop services and regular and systematic upgrades, labor, materials, tools, services and supplies necessary to service and maintain the ethernet internet connection including local loop services at an all-inclusive cost. The City seeks Qualifications for a three year contract beginning with a first year with an option to renew for two (2) consecutive years at the same price for ethernet internet connection including local loop services at its libraries throughout the City. The City seeks a single supplier to deliver and support the six libraries with ethernet internet connection including local loop services with a minimum bandwidth at 100 Mbps upload and 100 Mbps download of unlimited internet access for its JFK library (main library) and of 50 Mbps for its five branch libraries. For the purposes of this RFQ, a Qualified Proponent means a person, company, entity or organization that submits a Statement of Qualifications (Form A-8) to the City and is deemed qualified by the City pursuant to the requirements set forth in this RFQ. Any Qualified Proponent wishing to submit a Proposal shall comply with the requirements contained in this Request for Qualifications ("RFQ" or "Solicitation") in Hialeah (RFQ Number: 2016-17-3130-36-004).

Each Proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope. The outside of each sealed envelope must clearly indicate the name and number of this RFQ (ETHERNET INTERNET CONNECTION INCLUDING LOCAL LOOP SERVICES; RFQ Number: 2016-17-3130-36-004); the Proponent's name and address; and the name and telephone number of the Proponent's contact person.

Each Proposal shall be delivered to the City no later than the date and time specified below. Qualifications received after said date and time will not be considered and no time extensions will be granted. Each Proposal shall be delivered to the City of Hialeah, Office of the City Clerk, Hialeah City Hall, 3rd floor, 501 Palm Avenue, Hialeah, FL 33010.

The City's schedule for this Solicitation is as follows:

Event	Date	Time
Advertisement Date:	February 27, 2017	
Last Date for Receipt of Written Questions:	March 20, 2017	10:00 am
Deadline for Submittal of Qualifications *:	March 27, 2017	10:00 am
Evaluation of Qualifications:	March 27-31, 2017	
City Council RFQ selection meeting Date:	TBA	

*(The City reserves the right to delay or modify scheduled dates and will notify Proponents of all changes in scheduled dates.) *Irrevocable and cannot be withdrawn for 180 days from submittal.* Copies of this Solicitation may be obtained from the Purchasing Department. Proposal Opening follows the Deadline for Submittal of Qualifications.

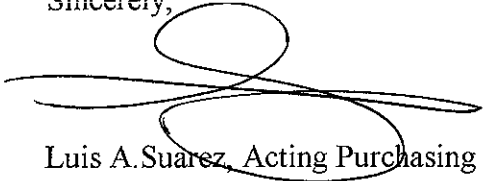
ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION OF QUALIFICATIONS

The City reserves its right to: reject any or all Qualifications, with or without cause; waive minor irregularities with regard to the RFQ requirements and the Qualifications received; and award the City's contract to the Proponent that is deemed to be responsible, responsive, and providing the best overall value to the City. An award related to this request for Qualifications is subject to approval for funding through E-Rate process. <https://usac.org/sl/service-providers/step05/default.aspx> .In the event it is E-Rate funded, the City of Hialeah reserves the right to modify the scope of the project or cancel the project.

Please be advised that this Solicitation is issued subject to the City of Hialeah's Code of Ordinances. Communications with the Mayor, City Council, and City Staff are restricted, as specified in Sections 5.4 and 5.17 of this Solicitation.

We look forward to your active participation in this Solicitation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luis A. Suarez', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Luis A. Suarez, Acting Purchasing Manager